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Case No. 10210-10

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Toshio Mikiya, et al.

Serial No: 10/808,067

Examiner: Dunwoody, Aaron M.

Filed: March 24, 2004

Group Art Unit: 3679

For: PIPE COUPLER

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Office Action dated November 28, 2005 for a period of one (1) month.

☒ Applicant:

☐ claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

☒ is other than small entity

	<u>Extension Months</u>	<u>Other Than Small Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	One Month	\$120.00	\$60.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Two Months	\$450.00	\$225.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Three Months	\$1,020.00	\$510.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Four Months	\$1,590.00	\$795.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Five Months	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

**Fee Payment**

☒ Attached is a check for \$120.00 for the Petition fee.

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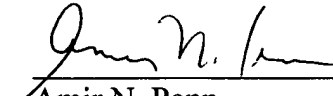
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- ☐ Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 3/28/06

  
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